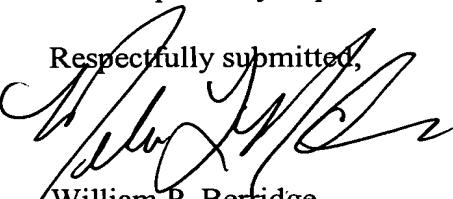


REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending. The specification is amended herein.

The attached paper copy and computer-readable copy of the Sequence Listing are submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825. The contents of the paper copy and the computer-readable copy of the Sequence Listing are the same. No new matter is added. Support for the information provided in the Sequence Listing can be found in the original Sequence Listing and in the specification at page 57, lines 3-4.

Early and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

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